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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

ROSIELLO et al.

Title:

INTEGRAL SEAL FOR

**CENTRIFUGE CHAMBER** 

Appl. No.:

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

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| 1. Submission | n required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)                             |
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| a. Pre        | viously submitted:  |
| [ <b>X</b> ]  | Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on                |
|               | October 24, 2006, (copy enclosed with annotations on pg. 17 correcting a                |
|               | typographical error in the earlier submission).   |
| []            | Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered. |
| []            | Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on          |
| []            | Other   |
| b. End        | closed are:   |
| []            | Amendment/Reply.  |
| []            | Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).  |
| []            | Information Disclosure Statement.   |
| []            | Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).                                      |
| []            | Other.  |
| Miscellaneous | s:  |
| []            | Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37          |

C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

### The filing fee is calculated below:

|                  | Claims as<br>Amended |       | reviously<br>aid For |          | ra Claims<br>sent |     | Rate     |   | Fee Totals |
|------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|----------|-------------------|-----|----------|---|------------|
| RCE Fee 1.17(e): |                      |       |                      |          |                   |     | \$790.00 | = | \$790.00   |
| Total Claims:    | 47                   | -     | 48                   | = 0      |                   | x   | \$50.00  | = | \$0.00     |
| Independents     | 6                    | -     | 6                    | = 0      |                   | x   | \$200.00 | = | \$0.00     |
| First p          | resentation o        | f any | Multiple [           | Depender | nt Claims:        | +   | \$360.00 | = | \$0.00     |
|                  |                      |       |                      |          | CLAIMS            | FEE | TOTAL:   | = | \$790.00   |

## [X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| []                              | Extension for response filed within the first month:  | \$120.00   | 0 | \$0.00   |  |
|---------------------------------|---|------------|---|----------|--|
| []                              | Extension for response filed within the second month: | \$450.00   | _ | \$0.00   |  |
| []                              | Extension for response filed within the third month:  | \$1,020.00 | _ | \$0.00   |  |
| []                              | Extension for response filed within the fourth month: | \$1,590.00 | - | \$0.00   |  |
| []                              | Extension for response filed within the fifth month:  | \$2,160.00 | - | \$0.00   |  |
|                                 | -   | \$0.00     |   |          |  |
| EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -   |   |            |   |          |  |
| EXTENSION FEE TOTAL             |   |            |   |          |  |
| CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: |   |            |   |          |  |
| [X]                             | Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2                 | of above): | • | \$395.00 |  |
| []                              | Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.        | § 1.103(c) |   | \$0.00   |  |
|                                 | TO  | TAL FEE:   |   | \$395.00 |  |

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$395.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-3431. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-3431.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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